

# Delta e-News

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**This electronic newsletter is designed to keep you current on issues affecting the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. We welcome your comments and suggestions. Contact us at [delta@water.ca.gov](mailto:delta@water.ca.gov)**

## **Sacramento County Board of Supervisors to meet in Walnut Grove**

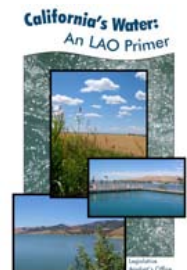
The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors will meet publicly and discuss Delta Vision recommendations (see item below) next Wednesday in Walnut Grove. Staff is asking the board to approve policies in response to the DV recommendations. The plan, the staff said, proposes the formation of an overarching appointed governmental structure to implement the goals of providing a reliable water supply for California while sustaining a healthy Delta ecosystem. And according to the board's staff, "The plan recommendations also include constructing large channels to convey water south and creating vast wetlands from agricultural farmlands. As currently proposed, these recommendations will have adverse financial impacts and result in the diminution of the Board's governance authority." According to Cyndi Lee, clerk of the board, members will convene the session about 1:30 p.m. in the historic Jean Harvie School Community Center, 14273 River Road. [An agenda will be posted soon on the Board of Supervisors Web site.](#)

## **Delta Vision panel OKs plan; it now prepares report for governor**

Last week, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's Delta Vision Blue Ribbon Task Force adopted the Delta Vision Strategic Plan, which is a set of recommendations designed to ensure a sustainable Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The Task Force plans to send the recommendations to the governor by year's end, with the expectation that enabling legislation will be adopted in 2009. [Read more.](#)

## **Legislative Analyst publishes 'quick reference' on state's water**

The California Legislative Analyst's Office has published a 75-page "quick reference" guide on the state's water. Information about the Delta is front and center. It's packed with charts, the writing is clear, and it delivers a snapshot of water in California. The report includes "An Overview of California's Water Governance"; "Water Supply, Source, and Delivery"; "How Do We Finance Water Projects?"; "What Drives the Cost of Water?"; and "Issues for Legislative Consideration." [You can download a copy of the report here.](#)



## **Delta protection panel will meet Nov. 6 in Sacramento**

The Delta Protection Commission is updating its Land Use and Resource Management Plan, which was originally adopted in 1995. It will meet Nov. 6 in Sacramento from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Center for Collaborative Policy, 815 S St. [You can find the agenda here.](#) At the meeting the DPC will distribute its preliminary policy language proposal and review policies on levees, utilities and infrastructure, recreation and access, marine patrol, boater education and safety programs.

## **Delta eNews staff mulls suggestions from readers**

As Delta eNews begins to grow we're getting a better idea of our readers. Two weeks ago, we asked you to answer three questions about Delta eNews. Sixty of you responded. [Here are the results.](#) The Delta eNews staff will draw from 25 specific suggestions to help make Water Plan eNews better. Thank you.

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